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SW	A1	3,789,828	2/5/74	Schulte			
	A2	3,938,529	2/17/76	Gibbons			
	A3	3,977,408	8/31/76	MacKew			
	A4	3,985,601	10/12/76	Panagrossi			
	A5	4,026,296	5/31/77	Stoy et al.			
	A6	4,026,298	5/31/77	Grausz			
	A7	4,043,346	8/23/77	Mobley et al.			
	A8	4,151,840	5/1/79	Barrington			
	A9	4,194,509	3/25/80	Pickering et al.			
	A10	4,212,304	7/15/80	Finney			
	A11	4,225,979	10/7/80	Rey et al.			
	A12	4,284,081	8/18/81	Kasper et al.			
	A13	4,307,723	12/29/81	Finney			
	A14	4,334,327	6/15/82	Lyman et al.			
	A15	4,531,933	7/30/85	Norton et al.			
	A16	4,579,554	4/1/86	Glassman			
	A17	4,610,657	9/9/86	Densow			
	A18	4,643,716	2/17/87	Drach			
	A19	4,643,720	2/17/87	Lanciano			
	A20	4,655,777	4/7/87	Dunn et al.			
	A21	4,671,795	6/9/87	Mulchin			
	A22	4,713,049	12/15/87	Carter			
	A23	4,785,059	11/15/88	Fydeler et al.			
	A24	4,787,884	11/29/88	Goldberg			
SW	A25	4,790,809	12/13/88	Kuntz			
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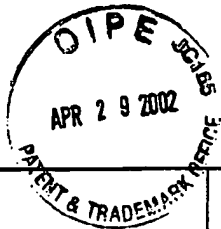
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	A27	4,813,925	3/21/89	Anderson, Jr. et al.			
	A28	4,813,935	3/21/89	Haber et al.			
	A29	4,820,262	4/11/89	Finney			
	A30	4,822,333	4/18/89	Lavarenne			
	A31	4,856,516	8/15/89	Hillstead			
	A32	4,874,360	10/17/89	Goldberg et al.			
	A33	4,878,906	11/7/89	Lindemann et al.			
	A34	4,893,623	1/16/90	Rosenbluth			
	A35	4,913,683	4/3/90	Gregory			
	A36	4,932,938	6/12/90	Goldberg et al.			
	A37	4,932,956	6/12/90	Reddy et al.			
	A38	4,950,228	8/21/90	Knapp, Jr. et al.			
	A39	4,954,126	9/4/90	Wallstén			
	A40	4,955,859	9/11/90	Zilber			
	A41	4,957,479	9/18/90	Roemer			
	A42	4,963,129	10/16/90	Rusch			
	A43	4,990,133	2/5/91	Solazzo			
	A44	5,007,898	4/16/91	Rosenbluth et al.			
	A45	5,019,102	5/28/91	Hoene			
	A46	5,026,377	6/25/91	Burton et al.			
	A47	5,041,085	8/20/91	Osborne et al.			
SW	A48	5,059,169	10/22/91	Zilber			
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	A51	5,078,720	1/7/92	Burton et al.			
	A52	5,085,664	2/4/92	Bozzo			
	A53	5,096,454	3/17/92	Sample			
	A54	5,097,848	3/24/92	Schwarz			
	A55	5,116,309	5/26/92	Coll			
	A56	5,116,365	5/26/92	Hillstead			
	A57	5,135,536	8/4/92	Hillstead			
	A58	5,141,502	8/25/92	Macaluso, Jr.			
	A59	5,147,370	9/15/92	McNamara et al.			
	A60	5,176,625	1/5/93	Brison			
	A61	5,176,664	1/5/93	Weisman			
	A62	5,221,253	6/22/93	Coll			
	A63	5,224,953	7/6/93	Morgentaler			
	A64	5,246,445	9/21/93	Yachia et al.			
	A65	5,269,802	12/14/93	Garber			
	A66	5,282,472	2/1/94	Companion et al.			
	A67	5,282,784	2/1/94	Willard			
	A68	5,289,831	3/1/94	Bosley			
	A69	5,344,435	9/6/94	Turner et al.			
	A70	5,346,467	9/13/94	Coll			
	A71	5,352,198	10/4/94	Goldenberg et al.			
SW	A72	5,354,263	10/11/94	Coll			
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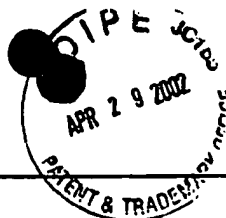
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	A75	5,364,340	11/15/94	Coil			
	A76	5,372,600	12/13/94	Beyar et al.			
	A77	5,383,892	1/24/95	Cardon et al.			
	A78	5,401,257	3/28/95	Chevalier, Jr. et al.			
	A79	5,419,764	5/30/95	Roll			
	A80	5,421,955	6/6/95	Lau et al.			
	A81	5,433,723	7/18/95	Lindenberg et al.			
	A82	5,449,373	9/12/95	Pinchasik et al.			
	A83	5,466,242	11/14/95	Mori			
	A84	5,490,521	2/13/96	Davis et al.			
	A85	5,507,769	4/16/96	Marin et al.			
	A86	5,514,176	5/7/96	Bosley, Jr.			
	A87	5,514,178	5/7/96	Torchio			
	A88	5,520,664	5/28/96	Bricault, Jr. et al.			
	A89	5,520,697	5/28/96	Lindenberg et al.			
	A90	5,523,092	6/4/96	Hanson et al.			
	A91	5,525,388	6/11/96	Wand et al.			
	A92	5,527,281	6/18/96	Haas			
	A93	5,527,532	6/18/96	Edelman et al.			
	A94	5,531,741	7/2/96	Barbacci			
	A95	5,540,713	7/30/96	Schnepp-Pesch et al.			
	A96	5,554,147	9/10/96	Batich et al.			
SW	A97	5,569,219	10/29/96	Hakki et al.			
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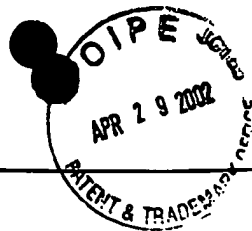
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SW	A98	5,599,291	2/4/97	Balbierz et al.			
	A99	5,607,417	3/4/97	Batich et al.			
	A100	5,634,878	6/3/97	Grundeir et al.			
	A101	5,647,843	7/15/97	Mesrobian et al.			
	A102	5,667,486	9/16/97	Mikulich et al.			
	A103	5,674,241	10/7/97	Bley et al.			
	A104	5,681,274	10/28/97	Perkins et al.			
	A105	5,695,517	12/2/97	Marin et al.			
	A106	5,707,386	1/13/98	Schnepp-Pesch et al			
	A107	5,709,874	1/20/98	Hanson et al.			
	A108	5,711,314	1/27/98	Ardito			
	A109	5,716,981	2/10/98	Hunter et al.			
	A110	5,746,723	5/5/98	Freeman et al.			
	A111	5,752,971	5/19/98	Rosenbluth et al.			
	A112	5,766,209	6/16/98	Devonec			
	A113	5,769,818	6/23/98	El Maoued			
	A114	5,776,161	7/798	Globerman			
	A115	5,782,742	7/21/98	Crocker et al.			
	A116	5,782,838	7/21/98	Beyar et al			
	A117	5,788,687	8/4/98	Batich et al.			
	A118	5,792,400	8/11/98	Talja et al.			
	A119	5,824,037	10/20/98	Fogarty et al.			
	A120	5,843,117	12/1/98	Alt et al.			
SW	A121	5,871,475	2/16/99	Frassica			
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	A124	5,902,254	5/11/99	Magram			
	A125	5,902,283	5/11/99	Darouiche et al.			
	A126	5,906,575	5/25/99	Conway et al.			
	A127	5,911,732	6/15/99	Hojeibane			
	A128	5,914,345	6/22/99	Slepian et al.			
	A129	5,916,195	6/29/99	Eshel et al.			
	A130	5,921,952	7/13/99	Desmond, III et al.			
	A131	5,931,860	8/3/99	Reid et al.			
	A132	5,935,094	8/10/99	Zupkas			
	A133	5,938,682	8/17/99	Hojeibane et al.			
	A134	5,964,744	10/12/99	Balbierz et al.			
	A135	5,971,967	10/26/99	Willard			
	A136	5,980,553	11/9/99	Gray et al.			
	A137	5,985,307	11/16/99	Hanson et al.			
	A138	5,989,230	11/23/99	Frassica			
	A139	5,994,341	11/30/99	Hunter et al.			
	A140	6,004,348	12/21/99	Banas et al.			
	A141	6,013,854	1/11/00	Moriuchi			
	A142	6,017,363	1/25/00	Hojeibane			
	A143	6,019,779	2/1/00	Thorud et al.			
	A144	6,033,413	3/7/00	Mikus et al.			
	A145	6,042,577	3/28/00	Chu et al.			
aw	A146	6,056,775	5/2/00	Borghi et al.			
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	A149	6,066,168	5/23/00	Lau et al.					
	A150	6,069,135	5/30/00	Falk et al.					
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	A152	6,097,978	8/1/00	Demarais et al.					
	A153	6,110,198	8/29/00	Fogarty et al.					
	A154	6,110,212	8/29/00	Gregory					
	A155	6,123,722	9/26/00	Fogarty et al.					
	A156	6,129,756	10/10/00	Kugler et al.					
	A157	6,159,237	12/12/00	Alt et al.					
	A158	6,162,243	12/19/00	Gray et al.					
	A159	6,174,305	1/16/01	Mikus et al.					
	A160	6,176,821	1/23/01	Crocker et al.					
	A161	6,193,745	2/27/01	Fogarty et al.					
	A162	6,238,368	5/29/01	Devonec					
	A163	6,290,666	9/18/01	Devonec					
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	B3	WO 97/17094	5/15/97	PCT					Y
	B4	WO 00/66032	11/9/00	PCT					Y
	B5	WO 01/21229	3/29/01	PCT					Y
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	C2	Kwok et al., "Design of infection-resistant antibiotic-releasing polymers," Journal of Controlled Release, April 1999, Vol. 62, pp 301-311.
	C3	Pugach et al., "Antibiotic Hydrogel Coated Foley Catheters for Prevention of Urinary Tract Infection in a Rabbit Model" The Journal of Urology, September 1999, Vol. 162, pp. 883-887.
	C4	Hepperlen et al., "Self-Retained Internal Ureteral Stents: A New Approach," The Journal of Urology, June 1978, Vol. 119, pp. 731-734.
	C5	Mardis et al., "Polyethylene Double-Pigtail Ureteral Stents," Urologic Clinics of North America, February 1982, Vol. 9, No. 1 pp. 95-101.
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